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SUBJ: DETENTION OF WESTERN JOURNALISTS

1. JONATHAN RANDALL WAS RELEASED INTO CHARGE'S CUSTODY AT CULMINATION OF TWO AND A HALF HOUR SESSION AT WHICH EMPEROR PRESIDED IN PRESENCE OF ENTIRE CABINET AND DIPLOMATIC CORPS. RANDALL WAS ORDERED TO LEAVE IMMEDIATELY, AND WE WILL PLAN TO GET HIM ONTO UTA771 DEPARTING BANGUI 1320 FRIDAY FOR PARIS. HE IS WELL AND WAS NOT MISTREATED.

2. GOLDSMITH IS STILL IN CUSTODY OF GOCAE, WHICH BELIEVES HE IS SOUTH AFRICAN CITIZEN. RANDALL ASSURES US THAT GOLDSMITH IS BRITISH. FOR YAOUNDE: REQUEST YOU CONTACT BRITISH EMBASSY URGENTLY TO ASK THEM TO SEND OFFICER TO BANGUI BY AIR CAMEROON FLIGHT TONIGHT TO INTERVENE ON BEHALF OF GOLDSMITH. GOCAE HAS QUESTIONED OUR COMPETENCE TO REPRESENT HIM IN ANY WAY AND, WHILE WE WILL CONTINUE TO WORK ON HIS BEHALF, BELIEVE BRITISH PRESENCE IS ESSENTIAL.

3. RANDALL REQUESTS FOLLOWING MESSAGE BE PASSED TO WASHINGTON
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POST ATTN KOVEN/BRADLEE: REQUEST POST CONTACT AP NEW YORK TO BRING GOLDSMITH'S CRITICAL SITUATION TO ATTENTION BRITISH GOVERNMENT.

4. DETAILS FOLLOW SEPTEL.SMITH

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